



WARDROBES & BEYOND

As experts in providing personalised solutions for the local market, we talk to Monty and Tracey McKeefry from Beyond Storage about their unique household storage solutions



Q What room of the home should I never compromise on when it comes to storage?

The wardrobe! Just imagine being able to find everything when you need it. This is what a well-designed wardrobe should do for you. Unfortunately, despite storage being essential to how we live in our homes, it is often left until the end of the building process, and as a result is compromised. It is important you are talking to us as early as possible to ensure your storage requirements are met.

Q Are walk-in-wardrobes the way of the future?

We believe they are. The functionality and elegance of a walk-in-wardrobe is very appealing. They can be customised to store virtually everything (not just shoes and clothes) and allow for items to be easily accessible. In almost all new homes we are seeing a walk-in-wardrobe and ensuite as standard inclusions for the master bedroom.

Q Is there room for shelving or are hangers and cupboards the winner every time?

Shelving, drawers and baskets add a touch of personality to a wardrobe. The top shelf can be used to store items you rarely need to access, such as out of season clothes, accessories and bags. Cane baskets or boxes with lids add texture and colour and can double as great storage.

Q I have a large wall which simply holds a mounted TV. Can you provide me with shelving around it?

Although wardrobes and household storage are our main focus we have created a number of one-off concepts for other areas of the home. We have a huge range of accessories, colours and wood-grain finishes available which ensures there is a solution for every problem. We love a challenge and encourage our clients to speak to us about their ideas, then we make them happen.



Q What is your top tip when it comes to thinking about storage?

Always think about your future requirements and ensure you are future proofing your home. For example, young families should consider how their storage areas will cater for children as they get older and their needs develop and change.

Q Since the earthquakes our homes have changed with the loss of chimneys and so forth. Is this impacting storage?

Absolutely! We have undertaken a lot of work in earthquake damaged homes where homeowners have decided to get extra work done. And while it is devastating to see a number of our older homes in the city damaged, it has been great to see how creative people are being. From general shelving to wardrobes and study nooks, the 'dead space' left after a chimney has been removed is proving to be a popular cavity for storage! ■ beyondstorage.co.nz

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